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REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

BRITISH PRISONERS IN RUSSIA.

THE CONDITIONS OF EXCHANGE.

Copenhagen, December 1.
M. Litvinoff, interviewed by Reuter, said that the Soviet was prepared to exchange British prisoners and permit British nationals to depart from Russia if the pre-war provision regarding trade with Russians now abroad who were cut off by the blockade be applied and also if they be accorded free communication with Russia and the Soviet be permitted to protect its nationals' interests.

A PEACE FEELER.

Later.
M. Litvinoff, interviewed by a *Daily Herald* correspondent at Copenhagen, denied that Russia had relations with Germany, and said that Russia for its economic ends would far prefer relations with Britain or America. The real reason for the Allied intervention could be summed up in the word "concessions," and being Realists, the Bolsheviks preferred to grant concessions to Allied capital to wasting Russian strength in an endless war. M. Litvinoff demanded full investigation into the alleged atrocities.

The correspondent, recalling the statement of Mr. Lloyd George that he had never received a direct suggestion of peace or compromise from Russia, asked M. Litvinoff if he could not write such a letter immediately. M. Litvinoff seemed half inclined to consider the idea, but thought that the responsibility should be left to the great Congress of Soviets in Moscow on December 3.

ITALIAN SOCIALISTS.

DEMONSTRATION AT ROYAL OPENING OF PARLIAMENT.

Rome, December 1.
His Majesty, accompanied by the Queen, opened Parliament and received a most enthusiastic ovation from non-socialists. When the Senators and Deputies were taking their seats the Socialists raised a cry of "Long live Socialism" and all then left the Chamber.

CROWDS ACCLAIM THE KING.

Later.
After the Socialists had departed a striking ovation broke out in the Chamber. Their Majesties being frantically cheered. The demonstration was renewed in the streets on the return of Their Majesties to the Quirinal Palace, on which the King appeared three times in response to the acclamations of the crowd.

In the course of a speech from the throne, the King affirmed that Italian aspirations in the Adriatic did not conceal any military design. The defence of the Italian populations in the Adriatic constituted an imprescriptible duty and right, but Italy had no imperialistic ambitions, and did not intend that the peace of Europe should be disturbed.

COAL STRIKE.

TROOPS TO PROTECT VOLUNTEER WORKERS.

Chicago, December 1.
The Mine Owners of the Central bituminous fields have posted notices granting the fourteen per cent. advance recommended by the Fuel Controller, but the miners have not returned.
Governor Allen has undertaken to man the mines in Kansas, and 4,000 volunteers will be protected by 600 Federal soldiers. Fifteen hundred switchmen have struck in Kansas City, threatening the stoppage of coal trains.

AUSTRIAN FINANCES.

NEGOTIATIONS FOR A LOAN FAIL.

Vienna, December 1.
Recent negotiations for the raising of a loan have not led to any positive results. Austria wants credit of forty million Dutch florins to pay for two months' food supplies. Dutch bankers demand as security a lease of the Austrian tobacco supply.

THE ADRIATIC SITUATION.

Belgrade, December 1.
Reports have been received that a destroyer, accompanied by a transport, left Fiume on November 29, having aboard Admiral Rizzo, a supporter of D'Annunzio and a thousand Arditi. It is intended to occupy Chibienik.

THE EGYPTIAN FERMENT.

BRITISH SOLDIERS AND GIRLS FIRED ON.

Cairo, November 27.
Two British soldiers and two girl friends were fired on last evening. There were five revolver shots. Both soldiers were wounded, but not seriously. One girl was seriously wounded.

THE INDIAN FRONTIER TROUBLES.

Dattakhel, November 19.
The recalcitrant Maddakhel Waziris to-day realised the inflexibility of the British terms. A reply to the twenty-four hours' ultimatum not being received at eight o'clock this morning, within half an hour seventeen aeroplanes were flying over Ismail Khel with a full complement of bombs. They unloaded four tons on the recalcitrants, descending to 300 feet, leaving the villages heaps of dust. Further bombing operations against the Waziris will probably be unnecessary, though a column may march through the Waziri country to impress the tribesmen.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

THE PRINCE OF WALES.

ARRIVES BACK IN ENGLAND.

London, December 1.
The Prince of Wales has landed at Portsmouth. The ships in port greeted H.M.S. Renown with a salute of 21 guns. It was raining heavily.

"THE ROYAL AMBASSADOR."

London, December 1.
The homecoming of the Prince of Wales to-day is awaited most eagerly. All the papers pay lengthy tributes to the "Royal Ambassador" and "Young Imperial Statesman", the success of whose tour in Canada and the United States has revealed not merely his real ability, devotion to duty, tact and charm of manner, but has enabled the Empire to realise its value in linking up the Motherland and the Dominions.

Private letters from Canada, from people acquainted with His Highness for many years, dwell on the wonderful change from the shy, nervous boy of a decade ago to the accomplished orator, who has won the hearts of Canadians and Americans, carrying the burdens of his high responsibility with a happy confidence. It is pointed out that the Prince's speeches are entirely his own composition, conveying his personal reflections on the events and problems of the day. What particularly interests the readers of his speeches is his promise to return to Canada and the United States, and it is taken for granted that he will not merely visit Australia but India and South Africa, while the smaller Colonies and Dependencies are expected to request the King to send his son to enable them to make the acquaintance of this new personality in the Empire.

LATEST SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

THE SHANGHAI TROUBLES.

MORE JAPANESE GOODS BURNED.

Shanghai, December 4.
More Japanese goods have been burnt. Six hundred students delivered street speeches on the second strike day. There was no violence, the students urging an orderly continuance of the boycott. Their efforts were confined to the Chinese City.
Reports of raids on Wing On's and Sincere's keep extra Police standing by.

EARLIER SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

EUROPEAN SEAMEN CHARGED AT SINGAPORE.

Singapore, December 4.
Five firemen and seven European sailors of the s.s. Cphih(?) were charged at the Marine Court, before Lieut. Commander Peal, with wilful disobedience of a lawful command.
The accused's plea was that the ship is not safe and they requested a survey.
The case was adjourned till Friday when a report will be made as to the circumstances.

LOCAL BOXING.

MEN IN TRAINING.

There are many indications that the boxing which is to be seen at the City Hall on Saturday, December 13, will be of a high class order and especially interesting.

At the Victoria Recreation Club there is nightly training by a number of the contestants whilst at the Seaman's Institute there is also much work being put in by another bunch. At the V.R.C. last night one had an opportunity of seeing Walter doing some light work. He is to meet "Sky" Kerrison in a welter-weight contest and it should prove to be one of the biggest attractions of the programme. Walter is an extremely well-made man and he was shaping up to work last night in a very convincing manner. Evans, the high-heavy weight, who is due to meet Hewitt, was also at work and did some sparring with Wilkins, who so far has not been about to get a man to take up his challenge. Evans will provide by no means the least interesting bout. One need only add this, that in the camp at the V. R. C. there is a very great deal of confidence.

There was a meeting of the Committee of the new Boxing Association held last evening, when the arrangements for next Saturday's meeting were discussed. After the meeting, several of the Committee took a look in at the V.R.C. to see how things were going. They certainly intend to make this evening a success at least so far as they can do so.

SEVERAL APPOINTMENTS.

At the meeting of the General Committee of the Hongkong Boxing Association held last evening and referred to above, a Boxing Committee was appointed composed of the following seven gentlemen:—Lieut. Commander Drew, R.N., Mr. H. J. Gedge, Mr. F. C. Jenkin, C.B.E., Mr. W. Logan, Lieut. Colonel Loring, C.R.A., Mr. A. Murdoch and Major Rapson, of the Wiltshire Regiment.

Under the rules of the Association the above Committee, together with the Manager (Mr. J. C. Wildin), will be responsible to the General Committee for the promotion, and management of all tournaments, contests, etc., held by the Association. In particular it will approve all contests submitted to it by the Manager, examine the credentials of the contestants in the principal events, fix the amount of the purses, etc. The idea underlying the appointment of this working Committee is that it shall guarantee so far as is possible, a proper standard of boxing.

The General Committee last evening also appointed the following Medical Officers, subject to their acceptance of the office:—Dr. Montagu Harston, Capt. Monteth, D.S.O., R.A.M.C., and Surg. Lieut. Parker, R.N.

Mr. A. B. Allan, and Sergt. T. Pitt, of the H.K. Police, were appointed Time-keepers, with Sanitary Inspector Kelly as referee.

From the above it will be seen that the new Association is soon getting down to real work.

BRIBERY CASE.

SERIOUS CHARGE AGAINST GOVERNMENT SERVANT.

Ernest Baker, an assistant at the Government Laboratory, was charged at the Police Court this morning, before Mr. J. R. Wood, with attempting to obtain a bribe with a view to influencing his conduct as a public servant.

Mr. M. K. Lo, who appeared for the defence, applied for a remand.
Chief Detective Inspector Murison stated that a sample of some fat was sent into the Laboratory for analysis by the Wingtak Firm and the defendant, with a view to obtaining a bribe, went to the shop and proposed that if they gave him \$900 he would make a favourable report on the fat.
The case was remanded, bail being allowed the defendant in the sum of \$500.

JAPANESE NAVAL CADETS.

COMING TO HONGKONG.

Advices received at the Japanese Consulate state that the two Japanese cruisers, the Tokawa and Adzuma, with 120 cadets from the Naval College at Yokosuka on board, will arrive in the Colony on the 21st inst. These warships have been utilised by the Japanese Admiralty as training ships for the cadets, who will receive the final polish to their naval education, in a trip to the Mediterranean and back.

Vice-Admiral S. Horiuchi, who was recently promoted to the rank after his relinquishment of the post of Superintendent of the Naval Gunnery School at Yokosuka (near Tokyo) is in command of the Squadron, being assisted by Captains S. Harada and Matsumura of the Adzuma and Tokawa respectively.

The Squadron will probably stay in Hongkong for three days, after which it will proceed to Europe, calling at Malta and Marseilles, the latter place being its final destination.

SHIPPING DISPUTE.

OWNERS REFUSE DEMANDS.

AN ULTIMATUM NOW SUBMITTED.

The situation in connection with the local shipping dispute has materially developed since the combined Guilds first took action.

At a meeting of about 35 members of the Guilds held yesterday afternoon it was decided, without a dissentient voice, to fight the dispute to an end. This course of action was dictated by the fact that it was announced that not a single reply to or acknowledgement of the request that officers' scale of wages should be increased had been received from the Chinese owners of the river boats concerned, whilst the Shipowners' Protection Association, which covers the coast ships, had replied that they could not meet the demand in view of the present state of the shipping market.

The meeting resolved that the Companies concerned be notified that the masters, officers and engineers of the vessels concerned will refuse to take the vessels to sea from whatever Port that may be at on December 17 unless a satisfactory arrangement has been arrived at. This means that what virtually amounts to a strike will commence on that date unless satisfaction is given.

In addition to the vessels already excluded from the present demand, are those operated by Messrs. Nemaze and Company and the s.s. Haitan, operated by Messrs. Snowman and Company, as these owners already pay the full China Coast scale, including Home leave, etc. They will, therefore, not be affected.

We learn from the officials of the Guilds that full preparations are being made for a struggle that may last three weeks or more.

Should there be no arrangement come to and the boats affected cease to run, the Colony will undoubtedly suffer severely from a shortage of foodstuffs as the order will involve vessels engaged in transporting rice to the Colony, whilst the Canton and West River boats affected are those on which the Colony depends for a large

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

The closing rate of the dollar, on demand, to-day was 5s. 13/4d.

THE WEATHER.

Forecast.—Fair. Barometer:—20.99 Temperature 2 p.m.:—71. Humidity 2 p.m.:—61.

FORGED NOTES?

Nine ten-rupee notes, on whose genuineness some doubts have been cast, are at present the subject of investigation by the local Police. A Northern Chinese was arrested the other day on the allegation that he attempted to palm off these notes on a certain money-changer in Haiphong Road Kowloon. The Chartered Bank, to whom the notes were sent with a view to obtaining their opinion, stated that without the proper means to assist them they were unable to detect the falsity of the notes, but that if they were forgeries they must be remarkably clever ones.

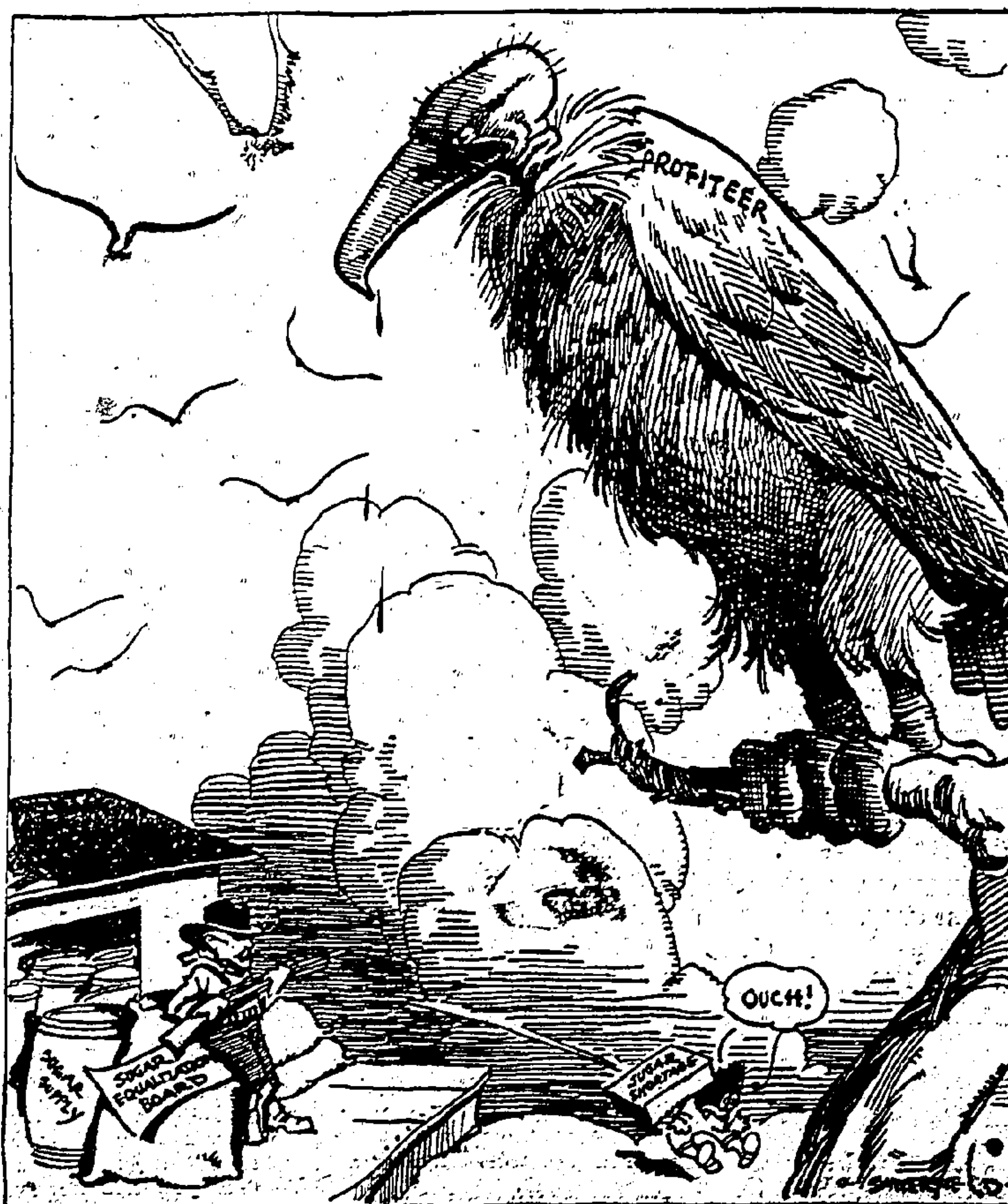
The money-changer, in his evidence to the Magistrate this morning, "when the arrested Northerner was tried, said he believed the notes were forgeries. Suspicious were expressed by Sergeant Aris on the character of the prisoner. He informed the Magistrate that a month ago the man was sent by him in a destitute condition to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs. The appearance of the man had since then changed; he was dressed in brand-new clothes.

In his statement, the prisoner said that he was not aware that the notes were false as they had been given him by an Indian in Bombay.

After considering the evidence, the Magistrate ordered the discharge of the man and the withholding of the notes for further investigations.

part for its fish and vegetable supplies.

There have been rumours that sympathetic action would possibly be taken by the officers of other boats, but we learn on the authority of the Guilds concerned that the dispute is being strictly confined to the Companies to whom the demands have been sent.



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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

GERMAN AGITATION.

Paris, Nov. 20.
For some weeks past a brisk agitation has been going on in the German press and in speeches of Ministers at public meetings, demanding the unconditional return of German prisoners, especially emphasized after the receipt of the Allied note making further demands in consequence of non-fulfilment of Germany's obligations under the Armistice.—Havas.

GERMANY AND THE BOXER INDEMNITY.

London, Dec. 4.
In the House of Commons, replying to Sir Frederick Hall, Mr. Harmsworth stated that by Article 105 of the Peace Treaty Germany was called on to renounce her share of the Boxer Indemnity, but as China had not signed the Treaty with Germany it would not be possible for the Allies to enforce the execution of Germany's obligations to China as contemplated in the Treaty, such as cancellation of the Boxer Indemnity, as long as China withheld her signature. By Article 113 of the Peace Treaty with Austria, where to China was a party, Austria renounced her share of the Indemnity.

GERMAN NAVY TO BE SCRAPPED.

Paris, Nov. 29.
The Supreme Council has decided to scrap all German warships in the Allies' hands, an exception to be made on behalf of France and Italy, which are to receive German units as compensation for losses incurred in their wharves during the war.—Havas.

RESTORATION OF AMIENS.

Paris, Nov. 29.
In order that all efforts shall be concentrated solely to the restoration of Amiens, the Radical, Liberal and Socialist parties have drawn up a single list for the municipal elections.—Havas.

THE PRICE OF COAL.

Paris, Nov. 29.
The French Government has protested to the British Government in regard to the price of coal.—Havas.

FRANCE AND THE VATICAN.

Paris, Nov. 29.
Some comment has been created about diplomatic relations between France and the Vatican, which Italian papers announce to be imminent. They add that there is no question of a new Concordate but of an intermediate solution.—Havas.

THE ENCYCLOPAEDIA SINICA.

Paris, Nov. 28.
The Academie des Inscriptions et Belles Lettres has awarded the Stanislas Julien prize of a million and a half francs for the best work on China to Samuel Couling for the "Encyclopaedia Sinica," which was published simultaneously at Shanghai and Oxford.

MEXICAN OIL WELLS PETER OUT.

Mexico City, Dec. 1.
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An exciting incident occurred during the last few minutes of the hoisting. The mast was practically upright, and needed but a slight further haul on the wire ropes to make it plumb straight. This however was an operation requiring great delicacy of judgment from the manager of Messrs. Combro and Scrutton, the contractors, under whose charge the work was conducted.

A small group of riggers stood on one side of the knoll, upon which the staff stands, ready to make the final heave. On the other side was another group of riggers manipulating the stay which prevented the mast from losing its balance once it had been hauled upright. At the base of the mast stood the manager, directing both groups of men. The word was then given to pull. The blocks creaked, the mast trembled, and the next instant a cry of warning from one of the riggers by the stay rope startled the spectators.

The manager rushed down to the point of danger, and was told a bull-dog clip connecting up the stay rope was slipping. This constituted a threat of disaster, for if the clip failed to hold the mast was in danger of toppling over in the opposite direction to which it had been raised and bringing down with it the attendant derrick.

A rigger was sent at once swarming up the stay rope to tighten the clip, it was the work of a few moments for safety to be assured. Returning to the base of the flagstaff the manager found true plumb had been attained, and the mast was safely in position.

The flagstaff which is 215 feet long and weighs 18½ tons, now stands dominating the surrounding country and will be a landmark for miles. An idea of its height may be obtained by comparing it with the Monument, which is 202 feet high, and the Nelson Column in Trafalgar square, which is 142 feet.

A ROYAL NECKLACE.

REMARKABLE STORY.

A judicial inquiry, which is so far being kept secret by the police, is now taking place with reference to the necklace of the Empress Marie Louise, second wife of Napoleon I. This necklace, valued at £200,000, was presented by Napoleon to the Empress on the birth of the King of Rome and remained in the possession of the Imperial Court of Austria. The attempt to dispose of it makes a strange and interesting story, which goes back to the beginning of 1914. At that time the Austrian Court was keenly interested in the movement in Portugal for restoring King Manoel to his throne. The late Emperor Francis Joseph was anxious to help the partisans of this movement, and when the question of monetary support arose, he is credited with having conceived the idea of selling a number of Crown jewels, including the collection which belonged to the Empress Marie Louise.

Those who had the sale of the jewels in hand got into touch with a lady of high position residing in Paris. This lady was counselled to act with great circumspection. The sale if effected, had to be kept secret, and in order that news of the transaction should not leak out she was enjoined not to sign any document or give a receipt for the money received. A casket of jewels, including the necklace of the Empress Marie Louise, arrived in Paris, and the lady invited a French diamond merchant to inspect himself in finding a purchaser. It was found, however, that the persons approached were not anxious to pay £200,000 for the necklace, and that, indeed, they were not greatly interested in it. But a certain number of other jewels in the casket were disposed of, and the money was handed to the lady who acted as intermediary between the Court of Austria and the diamond merchant.

This lady has now instituted proceedings against the diamond dealer, alleging that he has kept a part of the proceeds of the sale. The diamond dealer, on the other hand, has declared to M. Cluzel, examining magistrate, who is inquiring into the affair, that he claims £2,200 commission.

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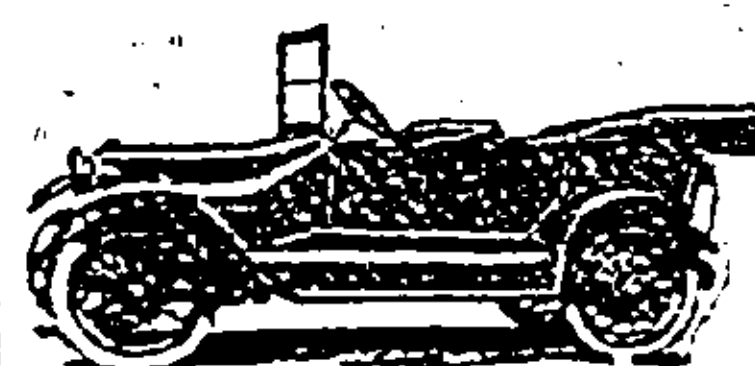
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FRENCH CONVENT.

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PRESENTED.

A very interesting function took place at the French Convent School, Causeway Bay, on Wednesday afternoon when Mrs. Ralphs, accompanied by Mr. E. Ralphs and Master E. Ralphs, distributed the University certificates to the successful candidates. There were present His Lordship Bishop D. Pozzoli, Rev. Father De Maria (Manager of Schools), Rev. Father Robert, Rev. Father Souvey and friends of the children.

Addressing the pupils Mrs. Ralphs said:—My Lord Bishop, Rev. Mother, Sister Beatrice, and pupils of the French Convent—It is a great pleasure to me to come here this afternoon to give you the certificates which have been awarded to you for passing the Local Examinations of the Hongkong University. I congratulate those of you who have earned the distinction for I realise how many hours of patient study and self-denial the acquiring of those certificates has meant. But I always think when I come to your beautiful school that you are very fortunate little people, for you have always before you in your teachers living examples of patience and self-denial, and judging from appearances I should think that the practice of these two cardinal virtues here makes for real happiness, to all of you. I know if I asked your teachers what they would most earnestly desire of you in return for all their labours they would say that they would feel amply rewarded if you would persevere, each day trying to do better work than on the day before, never falling into an attitude of self-satisfaction and always striving to uphold the best traditions of your school. It is not only in the big things that you must do this; it is by continual effort to do each little daily task well that great results are achieved. You must watch carefully if you want to succeed, and see that your best work is put into the things that don't show just as much as into the things that everyone can see. And here again you have noble examples always with you. Not half of the wonderful work that is carried on in this Institution is seen or even dreamt of by the outside world. Those about you labour conscientiously for your good without a thought of being seen or commended. It reminds me of the lines of the famous poet—

In the elder days of art builders wrought with greatest care
Each minute and unseen part—for the Gods see everywhere.

Let us do our work as well, both the unseen and the seen;
Make the house where Gods may dwell beautiful, entire and clean.

I should like to thank Sister Beatrice for giving me this opportunity of saying good-bye to you to-day. I shall always remember the French Convent as a place of sunshine and smiling happy faces. I hope if ever I return to the Colony I shall be invited to come and see you all again and that I shall then find many of the younger ones among you winning honours like those which to-day have been carried off by the senior students. (Applause.)

Mrs. Ralphs then distributed the certificates to the following pupils:

1st Prize and H.K. University Senior Certificate.—Miss Marie Noronha.

2nd Prize and H.K. University Senior Certificate.—Miss Rose Emily White.

University Junior Certificates.—Florence Hamilton, Eleanor Noronha, Doris Mabel Windelbank, Margaret Lon, Phyllis See Chin and Lily Ferguson.

Shortland Certificates.—1st Prize and Certificate, Miss Florence Hamilton; 2nd Prize and Certificate, Miss Phyllis See Chin; Certificates, Doris Windelbank, Eleanor Noronha and Nina Hazeland.

After the distribution, His Lordship, in a few appropriate words, thanked Mrs. Ralphs on behalf of Rev. Mother Superior, Str. Beatrice, the Staff and the pupils, for so kindly consenting to come and give out the certificates and also for the kind interest she had always shown in the work of education carried on in the French Convent School.

He also thanked Mr. Ralphs for accompanying Mrs. Ralphs on this occasion, and said he was sure that the teachers and pupils were very happy to see him present. They had always greatly appreciated his visits to the school, for he did not come simply to inspect and criticize but to help the teachers and encourage the pupils to do good, solid work.

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To The Editor of the Hongkong Telegraph.

THE SENATE AND THE TREATY.

Sir,—Without desiring to prolong unduly the discussion on the subject of America and the Treaty, there are still one or two misconceptions evident in your editorial of Tuesday which it would be just as well to have corrected while the matter is still under discussion.

In the first place, I am not, as you suppose, a Republican but rather a Democrat by inclination and inheritance, that is to say as anyone who has lived away from his country for 12 years can remain an active political partisan with strong party views. Your error on this point is no doubt due to your confusing "Wilsonian Principles" as being good "Democratic Doctrine" in all respects.

You mention the action of the British Parliament and the French Chamber in ratifying promptly the Treaty in its entirety in contrast to the obstructive tactics of the American Senate, but the cases mentioned are not by any means similar.

The British and French Cabinets are the creations of the British "House of Commons" and the French "Chamber of Deputies" respectively, and as such they represent definitely the will of the majority therein. When Mr. Lloyd George and Mr. Clemenceau sat at the Treaty table they sat as the delegates of their respective legislative chambers and as such they embodied in themselves the sole treaty-making power of the State. Executive as well as Legislative.

The American position is vastly different, as the President in no sense rises or falls by Congressional majority and embodies within himself no power to speak for or on behalf of the legislative branch, unless by special enactment. When President Wilson sat at the Peace Conference he represented himself alone as the American Executive, but not the co-ordinate legislative power, the Senate. In other words, the Peace Conference in dealing with President Wilson dealt with only half of the Treaty-making power of the United States and with a half which not only could not speak for the other half, but which was distinctly out of harmony with it.

The constitution of the United States is specific on this point as quoted below Art. 2 Sec. 2: "He (the President) shall have power by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, to make Treaties provided two-thirds of the Senators present concur". Mr. Bryce in Vol. 1 of the "American Commonwealth" Chapter XI Page 107, says "In general the President's best policy is to keep the leaders of the Senatorial majority and in particular the Committee on Foreign Relations informed of the progress of any pending negotiation."

The limitations to the President's power must have been as evident to his conferees on the Peace Council as it was to the Senate and America in general. It would be an insult to the intelligence of the Allied Leaders to assume otherwise. The only explanation of their ready acceptance of his assumed authority to speak so confidently for

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America that appeals to me is that their natural discretion was overcome by the President's optimism in regard to his personal power to bend the Senate to his will, an optimism which unfortunately time has shown to be fallacious.

There was thus an essential difference in the powers wielded by the Premiers of Europe and the President of America, and the failure to grasp this fact is responsible for the large measure of misconception this is so current in regard to the action of the United States Senate. Whatever we may think of their conclusions or however much we may regret their actions, having in mind their position as a co-ordinate branch of our Government, and realising the high moral courage and integrity of such Senatorial Leaders as ex-Secretaries of State Root and Knox and Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, the most English historically as well as sympathetically of American States, we cannot well question the motives that guided them in taking this serious step of suspending ratification of the Treaty until the President has satisfied them as to the wisdom of his actions at Paris.

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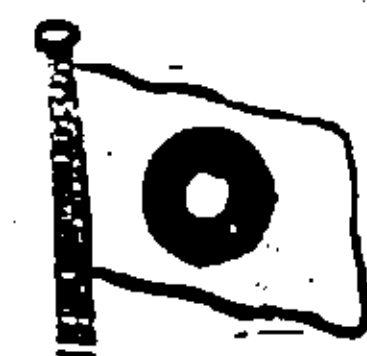
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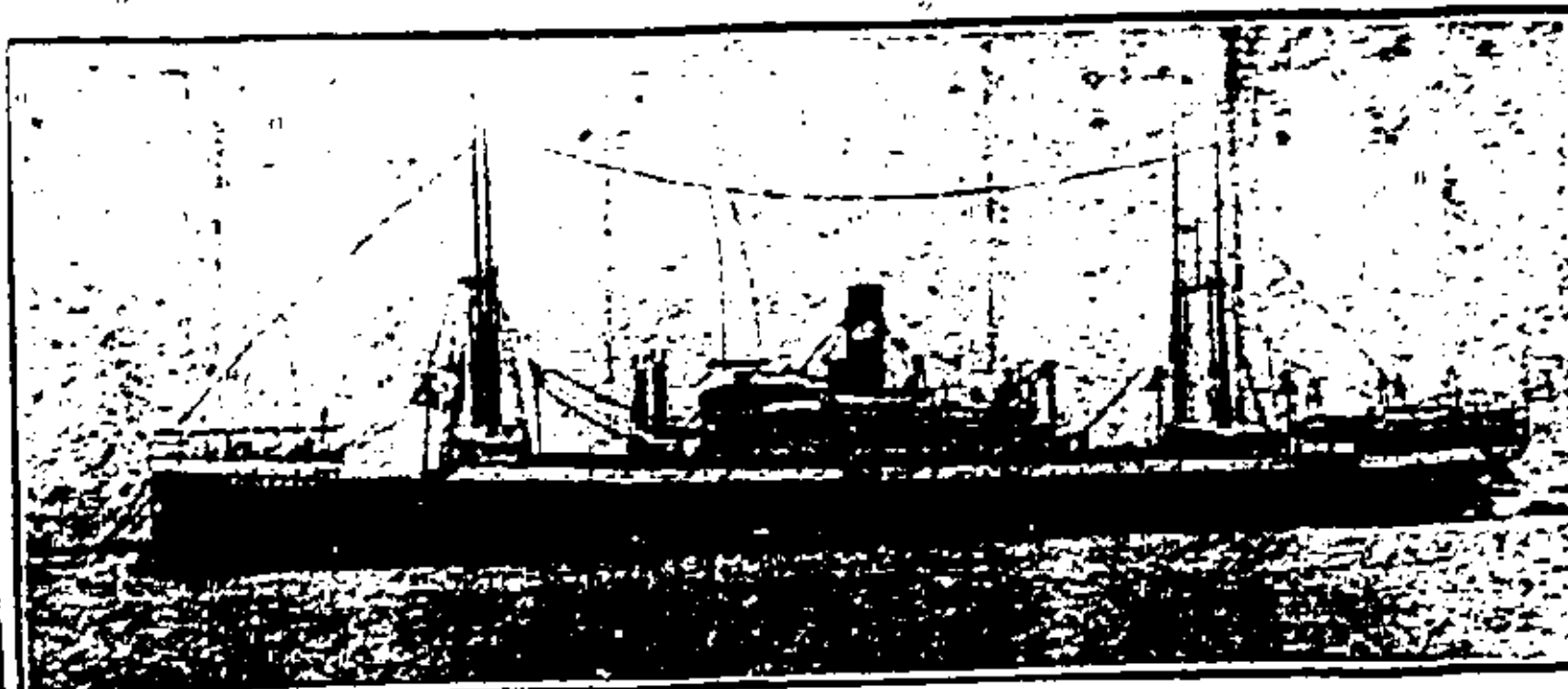
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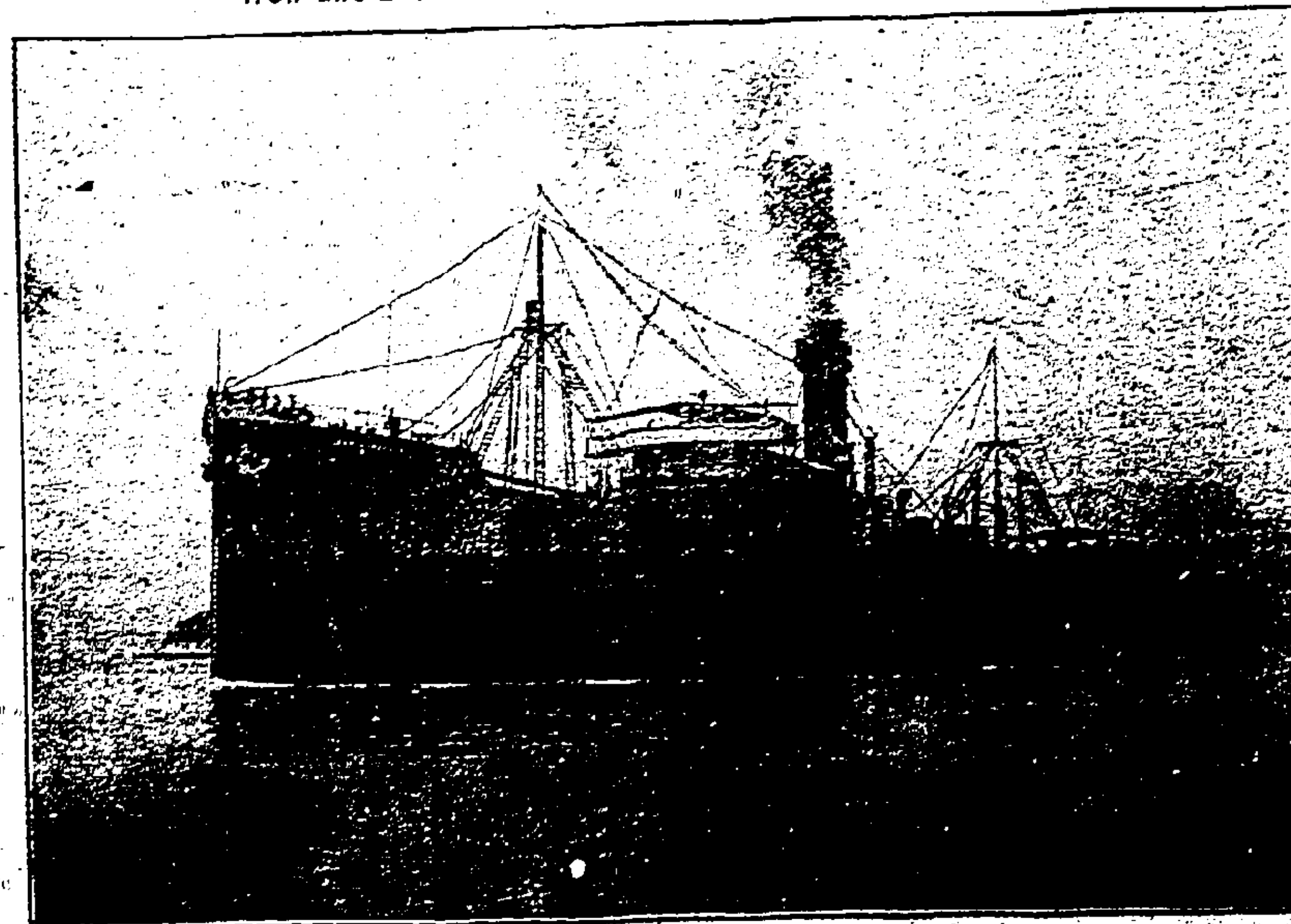
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KOWLOON NOTES.

[BY "THE FERRYMAN"]

The most important Kowloon development since my last notes appeared has been the completion of the preliminary arrangements for the formation of the proposed Kowloon Residents' Association. Nothing like a complete canvass has been made of persons who will be eligible for membership; nevertheless, well over a hundred names of those who sympathise with the movement have been secured. Big oaks from little acorns grow, and it does not require much imagination to foresee the valuable services which such a body as this will be able to perform.

Obstacles have been put in the way of those pushing the movement, especially in regard to the securing of a meeting-place in Kowloon. I am of opinion that it is essential that the inaugural meeting, as well as the regular gatherings of the Association, should be held in Kowloon.

The mere fact that there has been so much difficulty in getting a meeting-place is sufficient to show how Kowloon's needs have been neglected. Surely the Government should give such an Association every facility to hold its meetings, for I recall that when His Excellency the Governor arrived he spoke of his anxiety to receive advice on public questions from all sections of the community.

In common with many others, I am extremely glad to see that the Star Ferry Company has met the demand for an improved service from Kowloon between the hours of 8 and 9 a.m. The running of two additional boats is much appreciated by all.

We are all prone to complain from time to time about the shortcomings of the ferry service, but I think it is only common fairness to say that the Company of late has been most solicitous for the public comfort. It has paid due heed to my suggestions which have been made, and this recent revision of the time-table is a conspicuous case in point. The new arrangement has been devised entirely in the interests of Kowloon business people, whom it greatly pleases.

Now, I have one other proposal in connection with the ferry service to put forward. It is in regard to the time-hour ferries from the Hongkong side. The 12.55 and the 1.05 boats are invariably much over-crowded. It is a common experience to see fully twenty people unable to find sitting accommodation. This is bad enough on ordinary days, but on Wednesday, when so many golfers get aboard, it is not infrequently the case that many would-be passengers are shut out and have to wait for the next ferry.

Much of this congestion could be overcome if a ferry were put on at 1 o'clock, and I trust that the Company will be able somehow to fit in a boat at this hour. Incidentally, all this serves to show how rapidly the community across the harbour is growing in size.

The British Boys' Club in Kowloon has now been started. It has the promise of a most useful career, and I wish it all luck. Such an organisation has long been needed, at which our boys can receive physical and mental benefits. The entrance fee is \$2 and the monthly subscription 50 cents. The appeal for readable books to form the nucleus of a library is one that should meet with a ready response. Most of us have a few spare books, which we could give to such a deserving Club.

Further evidence of the enterprise of the Headmaster of the Kowloon British School is forthcoming in the arranging of a social evening which is due to take place to-day, commencing at 5.30 p.m. I have seen the programme, and it is a most attractive one, a feature being the dances by pupils. The Fancy

DAY BY DAY.

The cookery book which is to be sold for the benefit of the War Devastated France Fund is printed in English and Chinese, and not English and French, as previously announced.

The Club de Recreio is holding a paper chase on Saturday, for which there will be two prizes. The start will be from the Club grounds at 9 p.m. and the hares will be Paulo and Bello Xavier. The "Go-as-you-please" race will be held on Sunday, the 21st instant. The course will be Club de Recreio down Nathan Road, round Blackhead's Hill, Kowloon City, Yau-mat and back to the Club, a distance of about five miles. First, second, third and team prizes are offered for this race, entries for which close on the 18th. The ladies walking competition is fixed for January 4th. The first prize is offered by Mr. P.V. Bothelmo. Entries close on the 28th instant.

A really fine picture is that being shown to-night at the Victoria Theatre—"The New York Peacock"—which is a superfine Fox Corporation production. No pains or money have been spared to make it one of the finest pictures of modern time. Miss Valeska Suratt has had a meteoric career on the stage, and in "The New York Peacock" she does full justice to the work allotted her. The photograph is superbly acted and admirably produced. To-morrow at the matinee, the ninth and tenth episodes of "The Tiger's Trail" will be shown, and on Sunday the management have succeeded in once more securing "For Sale," featuring Gladys Hulette, a picture that made a great hit when first shown here.

Dress Parade also should be most striking.

There is one Kowloon resident who is able to exclaim: "Rejoice with me, for I have found that which was lost." And he counts himself very lucky, too. Whilst dressing to go to the Scottish Ball, he mislaid his wedding ring. He was aware of his loss long before he left for the Ball, but a most thorough search failed to reveal the ring's whereabouts. So off he went, minus the wedding ring. A day after the Ball, it was notified that a wedding ring had been found in the hall-room. More out of curiosity than anything else, the gentleman of whom I am speaking got a sight of the advertised article and lo! and behold it was the ring that he had missed in his own home! Funny, isn't it?

I was glad to see by last week's *Government Gazette* that Company Sergeant Major George Duncan, of the Defence Corps, had been included in the list of those mentioned as rendering good service during the war. Like many others, I had felt that there was something not quite understandable about his name being omitted from previous lists. The honour was long overdue. Still, there was something quite appropriate about the notification appearing on the eve of St. Andrew's Day.

"Geordie" came to the Colony quite twenty years ago and had not been here a couple of days before he became a Volunteer, joining the Artillery Company. When the Centre Section Machine Gun Company was brought into being, "Geordie" was made Sergeant thereof, and much of the success of the section was due to his enthusiasm and thoroughness. Along with the Service instructors who were periodically appointed, he was the instructor par excellence, his knowledge of mechanics and his marked adaptability being of high value to the Corps.

On the formation of the Defence Corps, when the Civil Service and the Reserves Machine Gun Sections, along with the Centre Section Machine Gun Company, were amalgamated, Duncan became the C.S.M., and

THE WILTSHIRES.

INSPECTED BY MAJOR GENERAL VENTRIS.

On the Murray Parade ground this morning, H. E. Major-General Ventris inspected the A., B. and C. Companies and the band of the 2nd Battalion of the Wiltshire Regiment. The men, 500 strong, were drawn up in close column under the command of Lt. Col. Wyndham, with Major Law second in command.

Shortly after 10.15, Major-General Ventris, accompanied by his Staff, Major Kirkpatrick, D.S.O., Major Leslie Smith and Capt. Wilcocks, D.S.O. (Secretary) arrived on the ground and the battalion came to the general salute, the band, under Bandmaster J.W. Easton, striking up. During the inspection of the ranks and their arms by Major-General Ventris the band played a selection of music. In the course of his inspection, the General conversed with a coloured private named Arthur Whittle, of the C. Coy. The General inquired of him when he had joined up and whether he was married or single. Private Whittle enlisted in July, 1917, and is an unmarried man.

After the inspection, the battalion marched past, the band playing. Major-General Ventris took the salute at the base. Amongst those who were interested spectators were Cavalier Eies, the Italian Consul-General, Mr. G. H. Wakeman, and Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, C.I.E.

The following officers were in charge of the three companies:—

A Coy.—Major Law and Captain Beaven.
B Coy.—Major Le Huquet, Major Rapson, D.S.O., Lieutenants Peacock and Sammot.
C Coy.—Major Cuvert, Captains James and Legg, and Lieutenants Beaven and Farther.

Major-General Ventris, addressing the battalion in a few appropriate words, said he was proud to know of the fine name they had won during the war, which he was certain would be upheld in the future. He hoped they would have a pleasant time during their stay in Hongkong.

Major-General Ventris at 9.30 inspected D. Coy at Mount Austin barracks.

After the parade the men marched to their respective barracks, viz. Victoria, Wellington and Murray.

In the difficult task of putting the fusion on a working basis he did more perhaps than any other man. Of his work in the Defence Corps since, officers and men alike are loud in their praise. "Geordie" is deservedly popular with everybody.

Of his work on behalf of the St. Andrew's Society, especially in war efforts, and of his sportsmanship, much could be said. But I will end merely by adding that his outstanding characteristic is that he always "plays the game," no matter what he puts his hand to. He doesn't seem to grow older at all. Whatever he takes up, he goes into the matter with the same boyish enthusiasm as he showed when he came in our midst twenty years ago. He's built that way. "Long may he remain with us!"

TIDE TABLE.

1st to 7th December, 1919.

Day	High Water	Low Water	Day	High Water	Low Water
Mon. 1	2.21	6.1	Mon. 8	2.52	5.41
Tues. 2	3.51	5.8	Tues. 9	4.24	5.1
Wed. 3	5.19	5.5	Wed. 10	5.56	4.41
Thurs. 4	6.34	5.3	Thurs. 11	7.11	4.1
Fri. 5	7.41	5.1	Fri. 12	8.11	3.8
Sat. 6	8.45	4.9	Sat. 13	9.0	3.5
Sun. 7	9.47	4.7	Sun. 14	9.50	3.2

m morning a afternoon.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE 36th ANNUAL FRESKO FETE

of the SOCIETY OF St. VINCENT de PAUL

will be held in the compound of the ROMAN CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL and the playground of the OLD ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE

on SUNDAY, 7th December, 1919 from 8.30 to 11.30 p.m.

Under the Distinguished Patronage of H.E. the Governor Sir REGINALD EDWARD STUBBS, K.C.M.G.

Admission... .. \$1.00

Each ticket of Admission entitles the holder to a souvenir. Tickets are on sale at Messrs. Kelly & Walsh and Messrs. Grace & Co.

In the afternoon from 2 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. several Stalls will be open, and amusements specially suitable for Children will be provided. Tea and Refreshments will be obtainable. Admission free.

The Grounds will be brilliantly illuminated in the Evening. The Band of the "SOCIÉTE DE PHILARMONICA" will play between 8.30 and 11.30 p.m.

SOME FEATURES OF THE FETE: Grand Concert by Well-known Hongkong Amateurs, Tea Room, Refreshment Room, Chute, Fishing Pond, Lucky Wheel, Aunt Sally, Shooting Gallery, Lucky Dip, Strafing the Bolshevik, Quoits, Lucky Well, etc.

FARMYARD. Come and Win your Turkeys and Geese for Christmas.

Several Raffles with Valuable Prizes Including a new Overland Five-seater Motor Car. "No work of Charity is foreign to the Society."

COME AND HELP HONGKONG'S POOR.

TO-NIGHT COME TO THE VICTORIA THEATRE

AND SEE ONE OF THE BEST PRODUCED PICTURES OF THE TIME:

"THE NEW YORK PEACOCK"

WITH VALESKA SURATT IN TITLE ROLE.

Prices as usual. Booking at ANDERSON'S

BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE DE CHINE

(THE FRENCH BANK)

GRAND FRENCH LOAN WITH DRAWING.

Under the guarantee of the French Government The Local Branch of the Banque Industrielle de Chine will receive subscriptions for the above loan from this date to the 15th December.

FOUR MILLIARDS of francs of five per cent Bonds will be issued free of income taxes and redeemable at Fr. 600, within SEVENTY FIVE YEARS.

Issue price Fr.495.—per Bond Drawings will take place quarterly yielding Fr.10,000,000. in PRIZES yearly, the FIRST PRIZE in each being:

ONE MILLION FRANCS.

M. POULT DE JOURNEL MANAGER.

NOTICE.

The S.S. "Shinfukui Maru" chartered by the French Government will be despatched for Kobe (direct) on or about the 10th December.

Space for General Cargo can be obtained for that Port. For particulars please apply to—

R. RODENFUSER Acting Agent. Messageries Maritimes Co

Hongkong, 1st December, 1919.

NOTICE.

UNIVERSITY OF HONGKONG

FACULTY OF MEDICINE.

Notice is hereby given that the University is about to appoint a Part-time Tutor of Anatomy.

Full particulars may be obtained from the Dean of the Medical Faculty.

N. T. MACKINTOSH, Registrar.

P. & O. S. N. COY.

THE S.S. "DONGOLA"

8,000 tons

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direct about 27th December

for freight apply to

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Hongkong.

NOTICE:

HONGKONG POLICE

The Hongkong Police Victory Ball will be held at the City Hall on Wednesday the 17th December 1919. Dancing to commence at 9 p.m.

W. HENDERSON.

Hon. Secretary

Central Police Station

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

By Order of the Mortgagees Mr. Geo. P. Lammert has received instructions to sell by Public Auction

on

FRIDAY

the 12th day of December, 1919 at 3 p.m. at his Sales Rooms Duddell Street, Victoria.

Hongkong.

The following Leasehold properties situate at Victoria and Kowloon, Hongkong in two Lots: Lot 1 All that piece of ground situate at Victoria registered in Land Office as Inland Lot No. 346 together with the messuage thereon No. 15 Mosque Street. Term 999 years from 27th November 1849. Area 1440 square feet. Annual Crown rent \$124.

Lot 2 All that piece of ground situate at Kowloon Point registered in the Land Office as Section N of Kowloon Inland Lot No. 410 together with the messuage thereon No. 22 Ashley Road, Kowloon Term 75 years from 24th June 1882. Area 1892 square feet. Proportion of Annual Crown rent \$10.50.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to Messrs Johnson Stokes & Master, Prince's Building, Ice House St. Hongkong.

Solicitors for the Mortgagees or to Geo. P. LAMMERT, Auctioneer.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

MONDAY the 8th Dec. 1919.

commencing at 11 a.m. at his Sales Rooms, Duddell Street

A Quantity of Lady's brown & black shoes, corsets, moirette frill skirts, silk gloves, lady's silk mittens, silk trimmings, ostrich feathers, Gent's silk ties etc. etc. Also

50 Pairs Union Fleece Blankets.

On view from Saturday, the 6th inst.

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NOTICE.

ISSUE OF FRENCH 5% PREMIUM BONDS

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Four thousand million Francs divided into Eight Millions 500 francs 5% Premium Bonds

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redeemable in 75 years at frs 600 and also yearly premium drawings amounting to frs 10,000,000 with a quarterly first prize of:

ONE MILLION FRANCS Price of issue frs 49.—

Applications will be received by the BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE (The French Bank) L. BERINDOAGUE

Manager.

Hongkong, 2nd December, 1919.

BABY'S WEIGHT.

One of the surest signs that a baby is making good progress is steady increase in weight. There is generally a slight decrease during the first week after birth, but from then on there should be regular and rapid growth if the "baby" is being properly nourished.

The most common cause of failure to gain weight is malnutrition, the food is either deficient in quantity; or the digestive organs are not doing their work properly.

When the stomach or bowels are at fault all that is necessary, usually, to set matters right is the administration of Baby's Own Tablets, the pleasant-tasting Canadian remedy for little ones of all ages. No fear need be entertained as to the wisdom of giving these Tablets because they are guaranteed, under a Government Analyst's certificate, to contain not a single particle of opiate, narcotic, or other injurious drug, and to be equally helpful and harmless to the youngest infant as to the child of 8 years old or more.

Baby's Own Tablets are just the right remedy for infantile constipation, colic, indigestion, diarrhoea, simple fever, teething troubles and worms. They bring natural, restful, health-promoting sleep, restore appetite and make the baby thrive. Of chemists, or post free, 60 cents the vial, from the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., 96 Szechuen Road, Shanghai.

STRANDED STEAMER.

RUDDER LOST NEAR AMOY. TOWED INTO HONGKONG FOR REPAIRS.

The story of how a steamer that left Shanghai for Marseilles has had to put into Hongkong for repairs has come to our notice to-day.

A representative of the *Hongkong Telegraph* called on the agents concerned and was given the following facts:—

The Bansei Maru No. 5 left Shanghai a few days ago intending to make a straight run, excepting coaling calls, en route, to Marseilles. When off Amoy she encountered rather heavy seas and lost her rudder. Hongkong was at once communicated with and the Agents here secured the assistance of one of the large tugs at Taikoo, which was sent out to tow the vessel into Port. The ship is expected in Hongkong some time to-day, and will be taken to the Kowloon Wharves, where all her cargo will be unloaded and stored whilst the ship is being dry docked at Taikoo to have a new rudder fitted.

It is expected that the repair work will take about two weeks, and the vessel will then re-load and continue her journey.

CRICKET.

* C.C. 2ND V. CIVIL SERVICE 2ND.

To be played at Kowloon on Saturday at 2 p.m. The following have been selected for Kowloon:—E. J. Edwards, A. O. Brawn, N. L. Railton, F. Lobel, G. F. Caville, J. C. Fletcher, W. T. Elson, R. H. Jewsbury, F. W. Richmond, J. M. Jack and E. C. Carr.

HARDWARE AND LOCKS



LOCKS AND HARDWARE

FREE TRADE.

THE CURTAIN RINGS DOWN.

Mr. John H. Harris writes to the Daily News—

Today Great Britain rings down the curtain on the Free Trade period of her history. This day will be known as the day upon which Great Britain definitely embarked upon a Protectionist policy of the most absolute type—embarked upon it without the sanction of Parliament, without the sanction of local legislatures, and in the case of one Colony, forced the policy upon the Colony in the teeth of the opposition of the entire body of unofficial members. This protective measure commences which all competent observers expected it to commence, namely, upon food—margarine and milk.

To Lord Milner belongs the official responsibility for issuing from London instructions to prepare and publish proclamations in West Africa imposing on Oct. 20 a minimum duty of £2 per ton on oil seeds and kernels used in the manufacture of margarine, and of "feed" for increasing the volume of milk from our milk cows. But actual responsibility is more remote. Lord Milner, as Colonial Minister, introduced a policy born as a "war measure" during 1916, but which opposition on the one hand and the effect of the blockade on the other, rendered the measure both obnoxious and superfluous. With the return of peace comes competition which it is said certain of our manufacturers cannot face. Hence the need for protection, and hence Lord Milner's dispatch.

In 1916 Sir Arthur Steel-Maitland presided over a Committee appointed to consider what, if any, steps should be taken to prevent our Germanic enemies from obtaining either by themselves or through neutrals the raw material (vegetable oil) for the manufacture of margarine, and of oil cake used for milk cows. In the report issued by the majority of this Committee it was urged that manufactures in the British Isles could only establish their position if they were made secure from competition for the duration of the war and for five years afterwards.

In order to provide this security for the manufacturers the Committee considered three proposals. The first proposal was the ordinary Tariff Reform one of imposing an important duty upon the manufactured article imported into the British Isles, but there were obvious political objections to this course. The second proposal was that of subsidising by a direct monetary grant the really wealthy margarine manufacturers; but to this also there were obvious objections. The third proposal, and the one accepted by Mr. Bonar Law, was that of putting a minimum duty of £2 per ton on the raw material exported from West Africa, and then remitting the duty to all these producers who could prove that the oil seeds had been shipped to and crushed in any part of the British Empire. It was at the same time recommended that powers should be taken to raise this tariff wall of £2 per ton to any height found necessary in order to maintain the diversion of oils away from competitors. Mr. Bonar Law issued instructions to the West African dependencies to impose the duty but a variety of circumstances, including strong and vigorous opposition in the Gold Coast, postponed the imposition of the duty, whilst at the same time it became unnecessary owing to the operation of the blockade.

It is no longer necessary to take this action as a war measure but the restoration of peace with the removal of the blockade auto-

matically opens the doors to what Free Traders call healthy, but what Tariff Reformers think unhealthy, competition; and it is under these circumstances that Lord Milner has issued instructions to impose the duty throughout Britain's West African dependencies. The protection is in the interests of the cattle cake and margarine manufacturers; the disabilities fall not primarily upon the British consumers, but upon millions of West African producers. Free Traders will doubtless protest against the measure. Tariff Reformers, too, may hesitate to endorse a policy which constitutes so daring a departure from Britain's traditional Colonial policy of seeking to administer disinterestedly our great dependencies, more particularly those who do not possess full self-government. It is also probable that our Allies and Neutrals will meet this move by a protective tariff because the duty is to be imposed as rigidly against the American, Dutch, and Belgian manufacturers as against our late Germanic enemies. In the mandate areas of British-controlled portions of Togoland and Cameroons where the duty cannot, of course, be imposed, one sees visions of a thriving trade for it is certain that the tariff wall will drive the natives and merchants to dispose of their raw produce in the open market and free ports of these adjacent territories.

The only sections of the British community which will benefit from this protection are the great margarine and cattle cake manufacturers, who are to be made absolutely secure by a tariff wall of protection which may be raised to any height. The first to suffer will be the twenty millions of Africans who will be confronted with a restricted market, which will soon become a controlled (in price) market. In due course the British consumers will suffer, because the whole industry will tend to become a margarine and milk trust.

Mr. Lloyd George will be subjected to unpleased reminders that he gave no more explicit at the last General Election than that no preference or protectionist policy should be adopted which involved the food of the people. Almost at once the reputation of the British nation will suffer by a departure from Colonial policy which is deliberately and avowedly designed to make Colonial territories governed from London something like a close preserve of the British people, whilst our late allies and neutrals cannot be blamed if they start a tariff war.

INFLUENZA IN MANCHURIA.

It is reported that influenza is greatly prevalent in Manchuria and at Dairen alone 3,000 cases have been reported up to date. Several fatal cases are said to occur daily.

AN OLD LAW.

A decision which depended on a law 1,400 years old was given by Judge Gwynne James at the Bath County Court recently. He had to rule whether or not the owner of bees who leave their hive and swarm some distance away is entitled to regard them as his property. James Batstone, of Fairfield Park, Bath, claimed £9 from Herbert Rummery, a neighbour, this being the value of a swarm which defendant was alleged to have seized. The judge said it had been clear for hundreds of years, under a law laid down by the Emperor Justinian, that a swarm of bees belonged to a man as long as they were in his sight and could easily be pursued. Otherwise they became the property of the first person who saw them. The swarm in question had not been in the owner's sight when it flew from the hive. Today the law was just as it was hundreds of years ago, and he gave judgment for defendant.

CONSIGNEES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

AMERICAN & MANCHURIAN LINE.

From NEW YORK.

The Steamship

"CITY OF NEWCASTLE."

having arrived. Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that all goods are being landed at their risk into the Hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hols Wharf Kowloon whence delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 30th November will be subject to rent.

All claims against steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 7th December, 1919, or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays & Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon, within the free storage period.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

THE BANK LINE LTD.

General Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd November, 1919.

THE ADMIRAL LINE.

The Steamship

"ENDICOTT"

having arrived from Seattle via ports, on Dec. 3rd, 1919 consignees are hereby notified that their cargo is being landed at their risk into the Hazardous and/or Extra-Hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. Ltd., Kowloon, and stored at consignees' risk.

Consignees of cargo must produce an Import permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading will be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is to be left in the Godowns where it will be examined at 10 a.m. on Monday 8th inst. by the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard and Douglas.

All claims must be presented within thirty days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognised. No claims will be recognised after the goods have left the Godowns, and cargo undelivered on and after Dec. 10th, 1919 will be subject to rent.

No fire insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.

PACIFIC STEAMSHIP CO.

Operating Agents

U. S. Shipping Board.

5th floor, Hotel Mansions

Hongkong, 2nd December, 1919

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PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO. LTD

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S. S. "VENEZUELA"

From SAN FRANCISCO, HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS, SHANGHAI & MANILA.

The above mentioned vessel having arrived from the above mentioned Ports, consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their cargo will be landed at their risk into the Hazardous and/or extra hazardous godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co. Ltd., and stored at consignees' risk.

Consignees of cargo are hereby notified that they must produce an Import Permit signed by the Superintendent of the Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before bills of lading can be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on December, 4th at 10 a.m., and December, 5th at 10 a.m.

All claims must be presented within a month of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognised.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns and all goods remaining undelivered after December, 6th, will be subject to rent.

No fire insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.

PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO.

Alexandra Buildings.

Hongkong, 29th November, 1919.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO. LIMITED.

AND CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO. LTD.

Consignees per Co.'s Steamer

"TALITHYBIUS"

are hereby notified that the Cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will lie at Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Godowns on and after 4th December.

Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 10th December, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 24th December, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd December 1919.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

From

SCANDINAVIAN PORTS

THE Motorship

"PERU."

having arrived, from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that all goods are being landed at their risk into the Hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by 12th Dec. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 10th Dec. at 10 a.m.

Claims against the Steamer must be presented within 10 days of arrival, otherwise they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

THORESEN & CO.,

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Hongkong, 5th Dec., 1919.

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TEA DANCE.

Yesterday afternoon's tea dance at the Hongkong Hotel, which was very well patronised, was rendered all the more enjoyable by some further demonstrations by the Misses Aileen and Doris Woods, so well-known here as exponents of the latest styles of American dancing.

These very talented ladies gave some entirely new songs

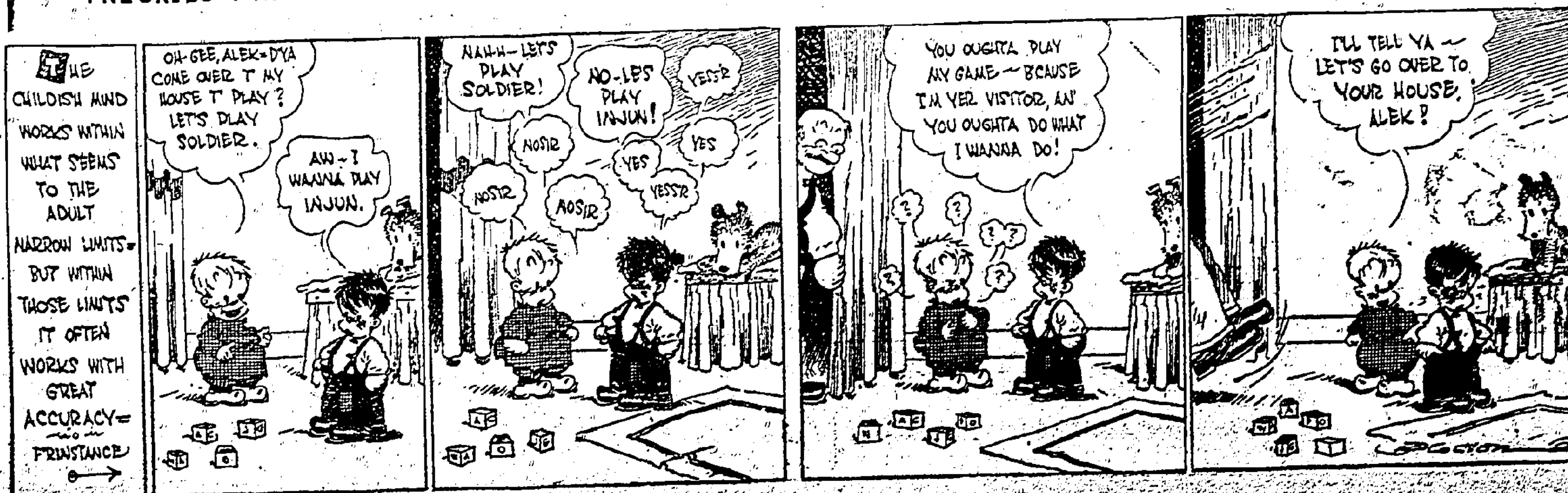
yesterday afternoon, again displaying that enthusiastic spirit in their work that one now looks for. It was altogether an enjoyable interlude in the dancing that they provided. Mrs. Woods, at the piano, was again excellent. As regards the Hotel dance itself, it went off with the usual swing, the band of the Hotel providing a very varied programme of dance music, characterised by the now popular "Jazz" effects.

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BY BLOSSER



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977.



Photo: Tientsin Press.

Part of the procession at the reburial of the late Queen of Korea.



In the top picture are seen Army officers and Red Cross workers checking up American food at Galatz, Rumania, before distributing it. Below is a glimpse of the King and Queen of Rumania during a visit to the newly acquired province of Transylvania. The Queen is talking to a peasant girl. The King is at the Queen's left.



Latest photo of President Wilson, showing how he has aged since peace was declared.



Above one of the striking longshoremen in San Francisco is seen being searched for arms.



A travelling Lama who makes periodical visits to the migrating Mongols to see that the permanent Priests to the tribe or family do their duty.

OUR PEKING LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Peking, Nov. 22.
Almost eclipsing the vote of the American Senate carrying reservations to the Peace Treaty, which has greatly buoyed up the Chinese in the capital and elsewhere, is the Japanese outrage at Foochow. I need not dwell on what you know already from the port itself, but I may mention that the Government has lodged a protest with the Japanese Legation and that the despatch of Japanese warships to Foochow is regarded as adding insult to injury, besides being an act calculated to further inflame the Chinese in that region. The Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs, Chen Lu, who is himself a native of the province, has received innumerable telegrams from Foochow and neighbourhood asking him if he is a true Fukienese, while hundreds more have been addressed to the Government from individuals and from organisations demanding redress. There is little doubt that the Japanese will have some difficulty to prove their nationals in the right on this occasion. At the moment not a Japanese has been reported injured, a fact which ought to go a long way toward proving that the Chinese were not the aggressors on this occasion. America is also interested in the matter, so it may be presumed that China's claims will not be treated so lightly as they would otherwise have been had there not been this additional element, which from the Japanese view point may be termed an unfortunate complication.

The Japanese also seem to have made a bad slip at Tientsin.

Mr. T. Funatsu, who was formerly Consul at Hongkong, and is now Consul General at Tientsin for which position he was selected a few months ago on account of his well-known tact and ability, admits having requested the Chinese Commissioner of Foreign Affairs at this port to remove the Chairman of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce in the opinion of the Japanese Consul General Mr. Pien's conduct in supporting the boycott was lacking in dignity. Such an act of interference in the commercial affairs of another country could not well be imagined. However, those whom the gods wish to destroy they first make mad.

General Hsu Shu-chien, better known as Little Hsu, has returned to Peking from Urga bringing with him the petition signed by the lamas, princes and nobles

of Outer Mongolia praying the President to have their independence cancelled and to permit them to return to the authority of the Peking Government. In this document they point out that for two hundred years they enjoyed peace under the rule of the Manchurian dynasty, but that owing to the corrupt officials who were sent to Urga towards the end of that regime much indignation was caused among the Mongols. Foreigners took advantage of this fact to instigate Mongols against the Chinese and the independence of Mongolia was established though China remained as suzerain. Since then no improvement had taken place in the condition of Mongolia. As a matter of fact, they had become worse. Disorder in Siberia, involving incursions into Mongolian territory, not to mention the at-

tempt of the Buriats to force Mongolia into a league against China, had added to the difficulties of the Mongolians, whose financial condition became extremely precarious. The lamas and princes had held a meeting at which it was unanimously agreed to co-operate with China wholeheartedly in securing peace. The mandate issued this evening by the President recounts the terms of the petition in full, confirms the rights and privileges held by the Living Buddha but places them under the regulation of the Central Government, abrogates the Russo-Chinese-Mongolian Treaty, the Russo-Mongolian Agreements, and all other Russo-Mongolian declarations, promises to enter into treaty relations with the new Government in Russia concerning Russian trade in Mongolia, and concludes: Therefore in com-

pliance with the wishes of the Mongolians their request is hereby granted. They shall be accorded the most cordial treatment from the Central Government so that they may enjoy the blessings of the Republic for ever. The abrogation of agreements with Russia is all the more interesting when it is remembered that when Parliament was elected the Russian Government objected to representatives from Outer Mongolia attending.

The Peking notes of the two Government banks have again dropped to beneath 50. When speculators get busy once more they will rise a little.

Internal peace seems to be nearer than ever. One report states that Wang I-tang will

remain at Shanghai in order to be ready to open negotiations whenever the South may be prepared. Another is that he contemplates returning northward in order to revive the flagging zeal of the Anfu Club. Either may be true.

While China may be in a state of topsy turvydom, it is interesting to place on record that the authorities in Peking are giving attention to drainage. Two century old drains are being cleaned out, and new ones are being laid down, with the result that in time Peking may yet become the model city which it was designed to be for all China. New roads are being constructed—especially leading to the residences of the great, and modern buildings are being run up all over the city but mainly in the east city. Frost, however,

is putting an end to all such operations for a season.

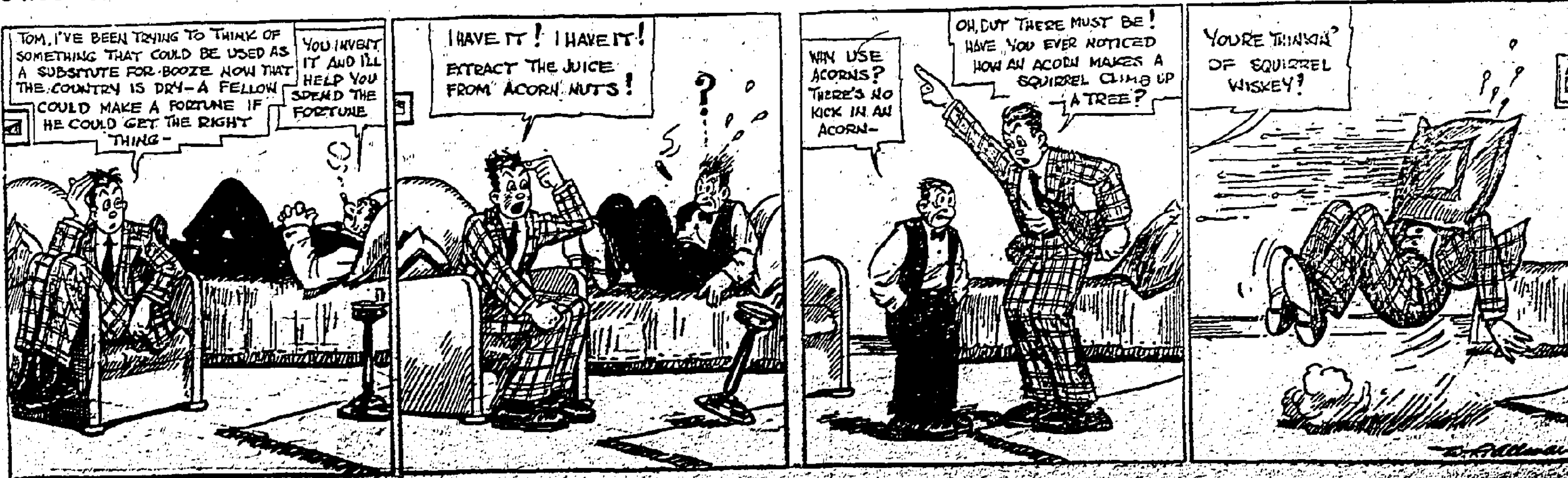
The return of Hsu Un-yuan from the United States has caused some little excitement in financial circles. He it was who signed the Wine and Tobacco loan with American bankers, but he is also credited with having interested several American bankers, who have accompanied him to Peking, in the formation of a Sino-American Bank to be known as the Mou Yeh, to be operated like the Exchange Bank of China.

A SIGN OF THE TIMES.
As a sign of the times the ladies gallery in the Japanese House of Commons is to be enlarged on account of the greater interest women are taking in politics.

BY ALLMAN.

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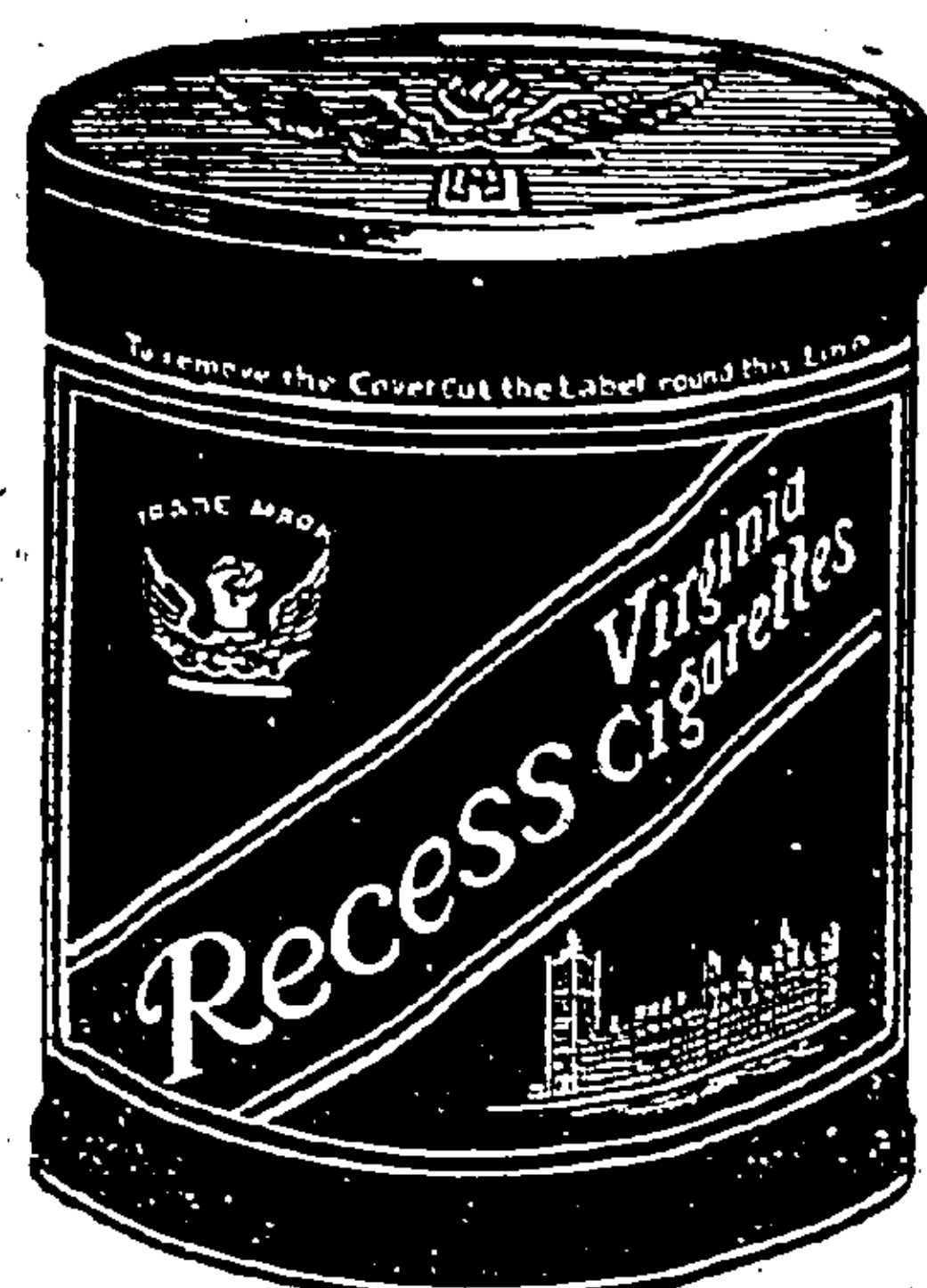
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Administrative Orders by Major G.H. Wakeman, V.D., Acting Administrative Commandant.

STRENGTH.

No. 290 Lance Corp. H. Hancock, "A" Company, is permitted to resign, on leaving the Colony, from 30th December, 1919.

No. 719 Private J.H. Evans and No. 998 Private C.R. Mellins, Machine Gun Company, having left the Colony, are struck off the Strength of the Corps, dated 1st December, 1919.

APPOINTMENT.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Mr. Alfred John McKenzie Weyman to be Second Lieutenant in the Cadet Company, Hongkong Defence Corps, with effect from the 5th November, 1919.

LEAVE.

Lieut. G. E. Marley is granted 12 months' leave from 18th December, 1919. Lieut. R. Sutherland is granted 10 months' extension of leave, until 30th November, 1920. Sergt. J. H. Barrington, Engineer Company, is granted 9 months' leave from 1st January, 1920. Lieut. S. Lack, Engineer Company, is granted 12 months' leave from 23rd December, 1919. Pte. F. H. Foster, "A" Company, is granted 9 months' leave from 23rd December, 1919.

RECOGNITION: SERVICES RENDERED.

The following extract from the Hongkong Government Gazette, dated 28th November, 1919, is published for information:—The following is added to the list of names published in Government Notification No. 490 of the 17th October, 1919, for valuable services rendered in connection with the war:—Company Sergeant-Major George Duncan.

ALLOTMENT OF RIFLE RANGE.
King's Park Range is allotted to the 2/22nd Punjab from 1st to 8th December, except after 1 p.m. on the 6th and on the 6th and all day on the 7th December.

EQUIPMENT BOARD.
The Board will sit at Headquarters from 5.30 to 6 p.m. on the following dates:—Monday,

8th December, Friday, 19th December, Monday, 29th.

ANNUAL MUSKETRY COURSE.

The following is the result of Annual Musket Course by details of the Mounted Section:—

Number exercised:—
Marksman 1
1st Class Shots 2
2nd Class Shots 3

The averages obtained were:—
Practice No. 13 14.7
" " 14 20.4
" " 15 9.9
" " 16 22.9
" " 17 12.0
" " 18 10.3
" " 19 5.1

Company Average 95.3

ARTILLERY ORDERS.

Orders for Artillery Company by Major J. H. W. Armstrong, V.D., state:—

Annual Musket Course.—The orders dated 28th November, 1919 are cancelled. No firing will take place on 7th December, 1919.

ENGINEER ORDERS.

Orders for Engineer Company by Lieut. W. Brown state:—

D. E. L. Classes for Higher Ratings.—D. E. L. Instruction. Classes for higher ratings will be held at Belchers at 6.00 p.m. on Wednesday, 10th December. Officer on duty: 2nd Lieut. L. J. Blackburn.

CADET ORDERS.

Orders for Cadet Company by Lieut. A. O. Brown state:—

Strength.—Cadet J. W. Crocker joined on 25th November and is posted to Section 2.

Parades.—Monday, 8th December, 5.15 p.m. Sections 1 and 2, at Headquarters; Wednesday, 10th Dec., 5.15 p.m. Sections 3 and 4, at Yau-mat Football Ground and Band Practice at Yau-mat Football Ground. Uniform.—Caps and belts. Cadets needing larger uniforms may, for the time being, parade in mufti.

All Cadets should attend Parades to fit themselves for Camp, which will probably be from January 2nd to 12th, 1920.

NOTICES.
Hongkong Rifle League.—Members of the Corps are reminded of the practice shoot at Rifle Competitions etc.

EXCHANGE.

SELLING.

T/T	3/11 1/2
Demand	5/13 1/2
30 d/s	5/13 1/2
60 d/s	5/2
4 m/s	5/2 1/2
T/T Shanghai	Nom.
T/T Singapore	218 1/2
T/T Japan	209 1/2
T/T India	Nom.
Demand, India	Nom.
T/T San Francisco & New York	102 3/4
T/T Java	262 1/2
T/T Marks	Nom.
T/T France	10 2/2
Demand, Paris	—

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6 m/s. L/C	5/41 1/2
30 d/s. Sydney and Melbourne	5/41 1/2
30 d/s. San Francisco & New York	104 1/4
4 m/s. Marks	Nom.
4 m/s. France	10.57
6 m/s. France	10.67
Demand, Germany	Nom.
Demand, New York	103 3/4
T/T Bombay	Nom.
Demand, Bombay	Nom.
T/T Calcutta	Nom.
Demand, Calcutta	212
Demand, Singapore	218 1/2
On Haiphong	Nom.
On Saigon	Nom.
On Bangkok	Nom.
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King's Park Range at 2.30 p.m. on Saturday, 6th instant. Rifle Competitions.—A meeting of the Corps Shooting Committee will be held at Headquarters on Tuesday, 9th December, at 5.30 p.m. to discuss arrangements for Rifle Competitions etc.

SHIPPING.

VESSELS ARRIVED.

The s.s. LAISANG, arrived from Singapore yesterday with 2,600 tons.—Mooring, No. 5. The SUIYANG, (Capt. J. Gibbs), from Shanghai brought this morning 2,000 tons. The WOSANG, consigned here this 7,600 piculs of bean oil from Newchang.—Mooring, 43.

The QUINNEBAUG, came from Swatow yesterday with 900 tons of general merchandise.—Mooring, Douglas Wharf.

Five hundred tons of broken rice was delivered this morning by the French vessel TATAI-TSE. She experienced strong north-easterly gale.—Mooring, B 10.

The s.s. PERU, a Danish vessel, came in this morning from Copenhagen with 4,568 tons of general merchandise.—Mooring, Kowloon.

The Dutch vessel TIKINI, from Batavia brought yesterday 2,037 tons of cement and 300 tons of wood.—Mooring, A 23.

Coal to the extent of 2,349 tons was consigned here by the FUMI-MARU, from Keelung.—Mooring, B 32.

DEPARTURES.

The s.s. ENDICOTT, sailed today for Seattle, having loaded here 3,300 tons general cargo.

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Unions s.	185
Yangtze n.	250
Far Eastern n.	22
Fire Insurances.	
China Fires n.	138
H. K. Fires s.	340
Shipping.	
Douglases n.	90
Steamboats s.	23
Indos (Pref.) n.	20
Indos (Def.) n.	247
Shells n.	320/-
Ferries s.	32
Refineries.	
Sugars n.	188
Malabons n.	44
Mining.	
Kailans b.	90/-
Langkats b.	16
Shanghai Loans b.	16
Shai Explorations s.	2
Raubs b.	35/-
Tronohs n.	46/-
Ural Caspian n.	46/-
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.	
H.K. Wharves s.	98
K. Docks s.	178
Shai Docks s.	121
N. Engineerings n.	23
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.	
Centrals n.	103 1/2
H.K. Hotels s.	120
L. Invest s.	118
H. Phreys Est. sa.	94
K. Loan Lands n.	46
L. Reclamations n.	175
West Points s.	90
Cotton Mills.	
Ewoe b.	t. 685
Kung Yik b.	t. 531 1/2
Lau Kung Mows n.	t. 300
Oriental n.	t. 320
Shai Cottons b.	t. 300
Yangtze Spools b.	t. 331 1/2
Miscellaneous.	
Cements n.	7
China Borneos b.	13 1/2
Do. Light sa. old 7.30 new	5.30
China Providents s.	8
Dairy Farms n.	23 1/2
Electric H. K. n.	85
Electric Macao n.	34
Hongkong Ropes s.	29
Hk. Tramways sa.	7.70
Peak Trams, old. s.	7
Do. new n.	80 cts.
Steam laundries b.	3 1/4
Steel Foundries n.	10
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